

FRIEND OF HOBOES URGES UNEMPLOYMENT CAMP IN DISTRICT

'DOC' SHEALAYS PLANS BEFORE CABINET CHIEF

Tells Secretary Davis That Situation in Washington Is "Desperate."

OPERATES A SMALL SHOP

Supplies Work and Lodging Place for Applicants Who Are Worthy.

Is Washington to have a federal "hobo camp" for the unemployed? The matter has been taken up by Secretary of Labor Davis, who is said to be heartily in favor of the idea, as a means of affording relief to numbers of men in this city who cannot find employment of any sort and who are absolutely destitute.

There is at present no place in the city where a man who has not a nickel can get a bite to eat. In a singlehanded effort to allay some of the suffering here "Doc" L. F. Shea, secretary of the local branch of the Hoboes' Union and of the International Brotherhood Welfare Association, has opened a little basement workshop at 317 Sixth street northwest, just across the street from the Police Court building.

Earning Their Food.

In this shop several of the unemployed men, through their joint efforts, can make enough to keep themselves in food. They sleep on the floor. They do all sorts of odd jobs—repairing furniture, making mattresses, sewing, weaving and repairing baskets—anything that turns up. One man will do an odd job for a butcher in return for a chunk of meat. Another will repair a grocer's chair in return for a few "spuds." Another will come back with a loaf of bread. From these they make their meal.

The little shop has proved a God-send for a number of men, who came to this city absolutely "at the end of their string."

One man, formerly a well-to-do Mississippi citizen—well educated, a Mason and member of other fraternal organizations—unable to find employment here and not knowing of the workshop took his own life during the past week rather than suffer longer the pangs of hunger and humiliation.

"Doc" Shea's Career.

And now for the man who is doing this humanitarian work. "Doc," as he is known to hoboes all over the country, has led a varied and colorful life. He himself comes of a good family and is well educated and a natural-born orator. His son is now a major in the United States army, having risen from the rank of private.

Several times "Doc" has held responsible and high-salaried positions, resigning each time because he discovered rank injustices in the system, or because he felt that the business was not "fair and square."

He is a veteran of the Spanish-American war. He has led the life of a professional hobo so that he could deal with the problem of the hobo understanding. He served a prison term in the stead of a man with a starving family to support, and who had resorted to theft as a last desperate measure.

Coming to Washington four years ago, he went into a thorough study of conditions here with a view of remedying them as far as possible. He found them very bad.

Studies Local Conditions.

He first went to the United States Soldiers' Home, where he secured a position as an orderly, "to see how his old buddies were being treated."

Then he studied conditions at the District Jail and in the courts, the District laws, and the District police department.

Asked by a local detective what his business was, he replied, "My business is keeping men out of jail."

And that has been his goal during the years since.

"I try to find honorable work for the worthy man who can't find anything to do. If I can take a poor chap, without a penny in his pocket and with the clothes he wears as his only worldly possessions and start him on the road, I give him a new lease on a good job that is all I can ask of the world. That makes me feel that my life has been worth something."

"The hobo, you know, is a migratory worker, not a loafer or a panhandler. The word 'hobo' came originally from 'hoe-boy'—the boy who used to go from farm to farm, hoeing and doing odd jobs. He is the man who takes care of the short job which no one else has time to handle. He is a jack-of-all-trades. There is nothing dishonorable about the hobo. He is a good workman. But in times like these he is often in desperate want. There are no jobs of the sort he depends on. What is he to do?"

Shea's Basement Shop.

The little basement shop of "Doc" Shea's is one of the really interesting places in the city. On the outside wall, down in the archedway, is a modest sign, "Dr. Shea, Furniture Physician."

Any piece of furniture that is redeemable at all can be secured here. The repairs are made from bits of broken boxes, old hals wire, odds and ends of all sorts, but the work is thoroughgoing, neat and strong.

"Doc" Shea, during the week, called upon Secretary Davis to urge the "unemployment camp" establishment. The camp, he explained, would serve merely as a workshop on a larger scale and would give the unemployed men an opportunity to get together and exchange ideas.

Such a camp, he said, could be made self-supporting and would at the same time give the men an opportunity to make a little money and might lead to their securing permanent employment.

The Secretary, "Doc" declared, was highly pleased with the idea and promised to do what he could to bring about its establishment.

HOBOES ASK FOR REPRESENTATION



The latest organization to ask for a representative at the Unemployment Conference is the "Hobo Association." The photograph shows L. F. Shea (left), and P. Gallagher, executive officers of the association in Washington. They have made calls on Secretary of Labor Davis asking for representation.

BAPTIST BOARD MAY BE MOVED TO D. C.

Change is Suggested to Colored Convention in Chicago by Dr. Lamkins.

Efforts to establish headquarters in Washington of the board of education of the colored National Baptist Convention were made by Dr. S. G. Lamkins, pastor of the McKinley Memorial Baptist Church, Fourth and L streets, at the annual convention of the organization in Chicago last week.

Dr. Lamkins' proposal to move the headquarters of the board, now located in Nashville, to the National Capital, received the endorsement of the other members of the board, and the matter will be taken up at a meeting of the Washington Baptist Ministers' Conference in the near future.

Special features of the Chicago convention, showed that \$300,000 was collected for the work of the convention. Dr. Lamkins stated. Efforts will be made to raise \$5,000,000 for the objects of the convention and this campaign is in charge of a joint commission appointed by the National Baptist Convention and the white Southern Baptist Convention.

For the first time in the Chicago meeting, he stated, were addresses made by Senator Medill McCormick, Dr. P. J. Bryant, of Atlanta, Ga., and Dr. Sutton E. Griggs, of Dallas, Tex.

OLD NORTH BUILDING TO HOUSE G. C. STUDENTS

When the boys come back to Georgetown College for its opening next Wednesday, the cheer-leader at the Hilltop will demand three "Hoyas" for the Old North Building.

For the first time in the memory of the oldest living graduate of Georgetown, the Old North Building, which has withstood the ravages of storm and fire for 130 years, is the proud possessor of a new coat of red paint. Like the rest of the world, this historic landmark of Washington, which served as the temporary building for Congress after the British burned the Capitol in 1814, is changing, too, with the new order of things.

So great was the demand for students' quarters with the opening of the new term that the college authorities, much against their wishes, were compelled to have the interior of the Old North Building reconstructed for use as a dormitory.

CHERRYDALE MASONS FORM NEW CHAPTER

With a number of Chapter Masons from Alexandria and other cities present, Royal Arch Masons, living in Arlington county formed a chapter at Cherrydale, Va.

The chapter was formed Tuesday night by J. E. Timberman, of Alexandria, past grand high priest of the Royal Arch Chapter of Virginia, and a large number of petitions for degrees were presented.

The high priest of the chapter just formed is Alfred C. Cosdon, of Clarendon. J. H. Burdick, of Cherrydale is king and John C. Dudley, scribe. Henry B. Mason is secretary, and R. F. Koester, of McLean, Va., is treasurer of the new chapter. The regular meetings will be held on the second Tuesday of each month in the Firemen's Hall at Cherrydale.

G. W. U. LAW SCHOOL TO HAVE BIG REGISTRATION

Registration for the fall term of the George Washington University Law School is now under way. Indications today are that the enrollment will equal last year's record of 898 students. This was the second largest enrollment among American law schools, the largest being the Harvard Law School.

Final examinations in the summer school closed yesterday, attendance being the largest in the history of the school. Nearly 800 students were enrolled during the two summer terms.

Jobless Army Means Loss in Income Taxes

By International News Service. UNCLE SAM is losing taxes on the income of individuals as a result of unemployment.

Collectors of Internal revenue reported to headquarters yesterday that many failures of individuals to pay their income tax is directly due to the fact that they are out of work and cannot meet their liabilities to the Government.

While such individuals were making good money in 1920 and based their returns upon them, they now are unable to meet their tax installments, officials said.

Officials, when advised of the reasons, usually are lenient and allow the taxpayers to pay in a later quarter. If excuses are found bona fide, the usual penalties are remitted.

66,000 TO ANSWER D. C. SCHOOL BELLS

Large Number of New Pupils to Confront 2,198 Teachers Monday Morning.

When the old gongs clang at 9 o'clock Monday morning it is expected that 66,000 pupils will attempt to find seats in the District school buildings. That some of them are bound to be disappointed on the first day is certain.

The same bells will find 2,198 teachers, the largest number in the history of the local school system, at their desks.

Last year the enrollment was 65,098, the expected increase this year conforming to the normal yearly increase of 2.5 per cent.

One of the most serious problems now facing the school officials is the disposal of several hundred pupils brought into Washington from all parts of the nation as a result of the change of administration. Many coming from points as far away as Cuba and the Philippines, already have been accepted for admission.

There are sixty-eight, however, whose credentials have been found wanting and who are taking examination for admission.

The problem of newcomers from parts of the country having different educational systems is chiefly affecting the local high schools. Never before has there been such a varied group of applicants for admission, it was declared today.

164 MILLIONS SPENT BY FARMERS FOR MACHINERY

Just where many of the extra dollars collected by the farmers during the war were again shoved into circulation is indicated by the report of the industrial census during 1919, recently released by the Census Bureau.

In 1914 agricultural implements valued at \$164,000,000 were turned over to residents of the agricultural districts. In 1919 \$304,899,000 was spent for similar products.

Joppa Lodge Plans Carnival.

Joppa Lodge, No. 35, is planning to give a carnival in Petworth the latter part of this month, and the committee in industriously engaged in working out the plan. The celebration will combine the raising of funds, and commemoration of the organization of the lodge, a little over a year ago. Further details will be announced shortly.

G. U. HEADS TAKE UP HOUSING PROBLEMS

Question of Holding Down Living Expenses for Students Causes Worry.

With the enrollment of students at Georgetown University already breaking former records, the housing situation looms up as one of the most vital problems affecting the student body that awaits the attention of President John B. Creedon, S. J., and the Board of Regents.

Total registration figures to date show 2,650 students already enrolled in the five departments of the university, with the heaviest enrollments yet to come in the Law School.

The college will open Wednesday with more than 500 students, nearly a hundred more than last term, while the Law School enrollments already have reached the 1,200 mark. It is expected the Law School will enroll fully a hundred more students in its morning and afternoon classes before its formal opening, October 1.

With 500 students at the Foreign Service School and 250 in the Medical School and 200 in the Dental School to date, the university authorities are looking about for some form of relief from the congested conditions in the housing of students.

Partial relief has been found at the college in the addition of dormitories in the Old North building, where students will be quartered on the top floor and in former class rooms. But the question of reducing the living expenses of the 2,200 students now forced to seek shelter in the city is one that is giving great worry to the university officials.

Organized, partly, to grapple with this problem, the Georgetown Union, comprising nearly all the students of the four professional schools, will meet on the first Sunday in October to hear a report from John Bowen, chairman of the housing committee appointed last spring to provide accommodations for students in the way of a general downtown dormitory and suitable boarding houses.

Gregory Cruets, general chairman of the union, will preside. One of the first steps the organization will take is to incorporate in order to hold real estate.

During the summer the committee headed by Mr. Bowen has been investigating buildings and apartment houses in the downtown sections of the city. Mr. Bowen will report what progress has been made toward acquiring a building.

WANTED IN BALTIMORE FOR STEALING FUR COATS

Wanted in Baltimore on the charge of stealing four fur coats, valued at \$525, and two plumage birds of paradise, R. Bernard Scott, twenty-two years old, of Philadelphia, Pa., was arrested yesterday by Detective Sergeant Edward J. Kelly and A. B. Scrivener.

When questioned at police headquarters, Scott admitted that he robbed the room of Bernard H. Stocker, of the Stocker Fur Company, while the latter was stopping at a Baltimore hotel. Detective James Manning, of the Baltimore Police Department, traced Scott to Washington and his arrest followed.

Kelly and Scrivener recovered the stolen coats this afternoon. Scott is being held for the Baltimore authorities.

Gavel Club to Stage Drive.

The newly elected board of governors of the Gavel Club met recently and organized. The club contemplates another membership drive beginning in October. One of the features of the club is the luncheon on Thursdays at high twelve at Harvey's, where an excellent lunch is served.

Prizes are given, and it is the intention to have an excellent program of speakers and entertainment. All Master Masons are cordially invited to attend.

SOLDIERS MUST CUT HAIR SHORT, NEW U. S. ORDER

Down at Washington Barracks the Latest Ruling Causes Consternation.

The click of a flock of brutal shears, mingled with the groans of the victims and the jeers of the bystanders, is marking the conversion of some first-class American soldiers, stationed at the Washington barracks, into a bunch of apparent convicts.

"The members of the detachment will wear their hair so short that it cannot be grasped in the hand," reads an order posted in the barracks recently.

This means a pretty close clipping all over the dome, which looms up like the rock upon which the Pilgrims set foot, or the dome of the Capitol after the first shot of home brew, upon conclusion of the barber's sad rites.

No Explanation Given.

No explanation for the reason of the order, which is signed by Lieut. F. L. Parks, barracks detachment commander, has so far been given. Whether it is through fear of cooties or fear that some rude enemy might grab the soldier by the hair and amputate his tonsils has not developed. The men swear, however, that the order was posted to cut some of them out with their best girls.

The order further reads: "So long as this is complied with the work may be done anywhere, but in case hair is found too long the detachment commander will conduct the men to the barber shop, supervise the work, and charge them with the price."

Officers Exempt.

Attention is invited to the fact that the post barber goes on his vacation next Monday and will not return for two weeks; therefore, those desiring to use canteen checks should have the work done this week.

The orders do not state whether the commanding officer will lead balking men to the barber shop by the ear. Authorities who should be acquainted with procedure in cases of this sort, agree that this will hardly be likely.

The orders likewise fail to state whether the commanding officer himself will have his fair locks cropped. He almost certainly will not, the same authorities declare. However, in case he did, being a lieutenant, would it be fair to call him a "shavetail"?

One of the men, according to Dame—not "Dame"—Rumor, having a lustrous head of hair, which was the pride of his girl's heart, attempted to forestall operation of the dread order.

He appeared in the office of the C. O. the morning after the posting of the notice, leading a bosom friend by the front of the shirt.

"Lieutenant," he chorused hopefully, "do I have to have my hair cut? See, my friend here can't grasp my hair. Try it, Pete."

Pete did, and manfully and failed. He had no try.

The private with the lustrous hair was accordingly led forth in tears by the wrathful C. O., according to the tale, continued.

Had Head Shaved.

"Here, shave this man's head," the barber was ordered.

Today, where this girl's pride blossomed in valiant profusion now shows not a single sprig. The dome is barren as any desert. That boy wears his hat in the house when he visits civilian friends.

All the boys on the post, though permitted to do so by recent orders, are loath to don civilian clothes when off duty.

They may be soldiers, but who is going to believe that, they argue. No one ever offers to argue back. The boys also steer wide of shirts with wide black stripes for the same reason.

In ancient days warriors cut off their beards and hair before going into battle so that the enemy could not hold them and inflict the death blow.

But the war is over. These are the plights of peace. Especially for the barber.

SCHOOL OF FINE ARTS TO OPEN IN OCTOBER

The National School of Fine and Applied Art will open for the winter term October 1, in the new quarters, Connecticut avenue and M street northwest.

Bartlett, the world famous American sculptor, will criticize the class in modeling and Charles W. Hawthorne, renowned portrait painter and instructor, will give criticism and paint before the class, according to an announcement today by Felix Mahony, director.

Waiters Discuss Open Shop.

At a well-attended meeting of the Washington Waiters' Union, Local No. 781, held Friday night at 1012 H street northwest, the subject of the "open shop" was discussed. The members pledged their support to Charles H. Mayer, the local business manager, to keep the Washington hotels and restaurants unionized. John M. Reed presided at the meeting.

CORRECTION

DUE to a typographical error the Cosmopolitan Magazine advertisement which appeared in Saturday's Washington Times indicated that the November issue of the magazine was now on sale. It should have read "October issue now on sale."

WANTS MAN WITH PAST WOULD WED HERRICK



This is Miss Kathleen Meroth, of Quincy, Mass., the first girl from that State who has tried to enter Congressman Herrick's "beauty contest." "If you want me," she wrote Herrick, "develop an interesting vice at once. Any woman dreams a perfect man."

LEGION MEN TO HOLD MARINES TO STAGE IMPORTANT SESSION 'WAR' IN WILDERNESS

Delegates for Department and National Conventions Will Be Chosen Tuesday. Elaborate Maneuvers to Begin Sept. 26 Where Grant and Lee Fought.

Delegates and alternates to the coming department convention will be elected at the meeting of George Washington Post No. 1, the American Legion, in the Board room, District Building, Tuesday, September 20, at 8 o'clock. The convention will be held in the Board room, District Building, Friday and Saturday nights, October 14 and 15, and is expected to be one of the most important meetings held in the history of the department. A number of matters to be presented to the Third National convention at Kansas City, Mo., October 31, November 1 and 2, will be acted on by the local convention. Delegates and alternates to the national convention will also be selected at that time.

Plans are under way and rehearsals are being held for the complimentary benefit to be given by the Shakespeare Society of Washington at Gonzales Hall, November 25 and 26, on which dates "The Merchant of Venice" will be presented with a professional cast. The cast will include Charles B. Hanford, the well-known Shakespearean actor, who is chairman of the entertainment committee of the post; the Rev. Earl Willey, pastor of Vermont Avenue Christian church; John M. Kline, local stock favorite and for many years leading man in Shakespearean plays presented by Mr. Hanford; Walter W. Beck, formerly with the Ben Grey players; C. E. Ruchman, Arthur J. Rhodes, Dr. E. V. Wilcox, Lawrence Dronney, Elton B. Taylor, T. W. Harvey, J. N. Bonum, Miss Lulu C. Adams, Miss Vieta Dronney, and Mrs. Mabel Owen Wilcox, dramatic director of the Shakespearean Society.

General J. J. Pershing, a member of the post, sailed last week for France, where he will select the body of an unknown dead American soldier in the world war, to be buried in Arlington National Cemetery on Armistice Day, November 11.

Past Commander Howard S. Flisk has been appointed a member of a special committee to draft rules for the coming department convention.

PRIVATE FLIERS BOOST AVIATION EXPENDITURES

Increased interest in aviation following the war is responsible for the increase of nearly \$14,000,000 expenditures for planes and parts during the year of the last industrial census over the expenditure of the census year of 1914.

Government expenditures for planes were greatly restricted following the period of active war, showing that the increase in the amount spent for aviation is largely laid to the activities of private fliers and their operating corporations.

ANNAPOLIS Man Quits Job.

ANNAPOLIS, Sept. 17.—James F. Strange resigned Friday as supervisor of elections for Anne Arundel county. He was a candidate for membership on the Democratic State central committee at the recent primaries and was declared elected. Mr. Strange is also an alderman of Annapolis.

DR. ADAMS PAINLESS DENTISTRY 303 7th Street N. W. To demonstrate our own private prescription for the absolute painless removal of teeth, this advertisement will be accepted as \$1.00 in cash for the extraction of one or more teeth if presented any time within ten days from date.

CAPITOL BADLY NEEDS CAMPAIGN OF REMODELING

Long Recess of Congress Necessary Before Extensive Alterations Can Be Made.

Remodeling the Capitol—or the House and Senate chambers—is a job twelve years overdue. The project was first determined upon in 1909. Elliott Woods, superintendent of the Capitol buildings and grounds, has been waiting for his chance ever since. Now it looks as if the chance is further off than ever. For when is Congress going to adjourn for any considerable period? Unless it does, how can the architects and the contractors complete the task of remodeling the chambers in which the House and Senate sit?

Long Recess Necessary.

The fact is that for twelve years Congress has at no time been in recess or adjournment for more than a five or six month period. This is not sufficient to finish the work of modernizing the chambers.

The remodeling has been deemed necessary for various reasons. Both the acoustics and ventilation of the House chamber are extremely bad. As the membership of the House increased its unwieldiness became more and more apparent. The remodeling of the chamber would appreciably diminish its size and make the seating of the members not unlike the seating arrangements of the British House of Commons.

In the Senate the task is simpler, being devoted mainly to an improvement of the architecture and decorative details. The problem of proper ventilation in the Senate also remains unsolved.

Another project to which Elliott Woods has given considerable study is that of rebuilding the center or original section of the Capitol building. The central section of the huge structure is nearly fifty years older than the wings. It is built of sandstone, and was partially burned by the British in 1814.

Must Rebuild Center.

The wings are constructed of limestone and granite. The architectural details of the center, particularly in the columnar style, conflict also. Then the great dome does not "rest" properly on the structure, projecting too far over on the portico. Ultimately the entire central portion of the Capitol will be rebuilt, although Congress in its present mood of retrenchment is not likely to authorize it for many years to come.

More than a decade ago the late Senator Gallinger, then chairman of the District Committee, conceived the Capitol will have to be taken up by the United States Supreme Court and advocated the building of such a structure on the northeast corner of the Capitol plaza, between Maryland avenue and B street southeast.

Despite the fact that the Capitol building today is crowded as never before with the work of the House and Senate, the Supreme Court remains tightly packed between the two, and the Gallinger idea has not been advanced to any extent since the Senator's death.

It will not be many years before the complete interior redecoration of the Capitol will be taken up by Congress. Much of it is archaic and in conflict with all modern canons of art. More light, more air, less turbulent color and more architectural harmony are desired.

PLAN MASONIC TEMPLE AND BANK IN WOODRIDGE

Plans for the erection of a Masonic temple and the establishment of a bank at Woodridge, D. C., were laid Friday night at a conference of leading citizens of the prosperous suburb and officials of the Banking Trust and Mortgage Company of this city. The meeting was held at Woodridge.

It was noted that the contemplated improvements that would increase prosperity to the growing community.

The conferees included Col. M. A. Winter, chairman of the board of the Banking Trust and Mortgage Company, and his fellow officials, Percy S. Foster, president; H. W. Robertson, vice president and treasurer, and A. H. Fowie, organizer, who is president of the Premier Finance Company. A decision will be reached at a meeting to be held in a few days.

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR GETS 6 NEW DISPUTES

Six new labor disputes were submitted to the Department of Labor for adjustment last week, as compared with four and six for the two preceding weeks, it was announced yesterday.

There are now thirty-seven strikes and nineteen controversies which have not reached the strike stage before the department for adjustment.

During the week three controversies and three strikes were adjusted, the most important being the strike of mechanics in moving picture studios in Los Angeles, Cal., involving 900 men.